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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of) Group Art Unit 3745
) Examiner Christopher M. Verdier
Mark Simakaski et al.) Confirmation No. 3432
) Customer No. 39905

Serial No. 10/672,460)

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Response to Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

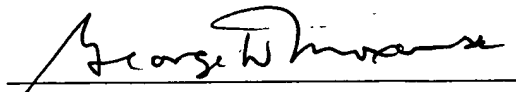
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Respectfully submitted


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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment dated September 12, 2006,
the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.